State of South Dakota

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1090

Introduced by: Representatives Cutler, Elliott, Sebert, and Vehle and Senators McCracken, Broderick, and Sutton (Dan)

1	FOR AN	ACT ENTITLED, An Act to allow debt cancellation contract and debt suspension
2	contr	act fees to be included in consumer installment sales contracts.
3	BE IT EN	NACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
4	Section	on 1. That § 54-3A-5 be amended to read as follows:
5	54-3A-5. In addition to the finance charge, a creditor may contract for, and receive the	
6	following	g additional charges in connection with an installment sales contract if such charges are
7	itemized	and disclosed to the buyer:
8	(1)	Official fees and taxes; and
9	(2)	Charges for credit life, accident, health, loss of income, property, or liability
10		insurance; provided, that. However any insurance shall be is optional, and the
11		consumer must shall be informed that any insurance is optional; and
12	<u>(3)</u>	Charges for debt cancellation contracts and debt suspension contracts, as defined in
13		§ 51A-1-2, if the debt cancellation contract or debt suspension contract is a contract
14		of a depository institution authorized to provide such coverage, and the contract is
15		sold directly by the authorized depository institution or by a retailer acting as an agent

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1	for the authorized depository institution. However, any debt cancellation contract or
2	debt suspension contract is optional, and the consumer shall be informed that any
3	such contract is optional.
4	Any such charges must be disclosed and explained to the consumer prior to signing any
5	agreement to repay a consumer credit obligation. Any such charges must be separately agreed
6	to in writing and separately signed by the consumer.